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OUR INFORMATION SERVICE IN ASIA

by

FLEUR COWLES, ASSOCIATE EDITOR OF LOOK MAGAZINE

Following an extensive tour of the Far East, Mrs. Cowles -- wife of clubmember GARDNER (MIKE) COWLES -- developed some striking impressions on the effectiveness of the information services and media which carry the message of the western world to the East. In her first appearance before the Overseas Press Club, this experienced observer will throw a penetrating light on the State Department's campaign to win new friends and keep old ones.

Please make your reservation early for this first luncheon event of the Club's fall program. A copy of Mrs. Cowles recent book, "Bloody Precedent," published by Random House, will be presented as a door prize.

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*** TIPS ON COMING EVENTS ***

Thursday, September 25 -- A "welcome home" reception and cocktail party for OPC'ers returning from foreign assignments will take place in the clubrooms on this date. Among those to be saluted will be DWIGHT MARTIN, of Time, IRENE KUHN, EDWARD HUNTER, and KATHRYN CRAVENS. Any members knowing of other colleagues recently back from abroad are asked to inform Club headquarters.

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ALASKANS) The Alaska Press Club has gone on record against a recent Congressional move to
ALIENS?) include residents of Alaska in the alien immigration law. Members are writing individual letters of protest to Washington...

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ABOUT BOOKS
by
JOHN GOETTE

"The Life and Death of Stalin" by Louis Fischer (Harper & Bros.) is available in the Club library and as a forthcoming door prize through the courtesy of the publishers. SIMON MICHAEL BESSIE gets credit for an editorial assist.... Mirrored in Stalin's rise from mountain hovel to Kremlin, Soviet history is chronicled as bringing "neither communism, socialism nor Marxism" but rather "Stalinistic feudalism" thanks to a backwoodsman who cannibalized colleagues as well as Russia's social, political and cultural life down to his own primitive plane. Stalin's heirs, says Fischer, will find Soviet despotism in the impasse of a "cold war and a thriving dictatorship, but a suffering Russia." ... "Meeting of Minds" by Elmore Jackson is a new McGraw Hill issue; a readable manual of the application of the technique of international mediation to domestic industrial disputes. There is a foreword by Paul-Henri Spaak. Chapters on industrial mediation in Sweden, Britain and the USSR are contributed respectively by Christian Schmidt, Sir Frederick W. Leggett, and Lois Jane Stone.

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Quick Magazine this week publishes a picture showing Yugoslav men and women in a mob scene, pushing and shoving to get at their copies of the U.S. State Department's magazine, SAD (USA), published in the Yugoslav tongues. The entire issue of 27,000 copies was sold out 48 hours after the Voice of America announced its sale...

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AIR
WAVES

HENRY J. TAYLOR will discuss WILLIAM L. SHIRER'S new book, "Mid-Century Journey" on Author Meets the Critics Dumont TV show, September 11... FRANK B. GIBNEY, Time-Life, and Robert Auros Smith, N.Y. Times Far East Editor, interrogated former N.Y. Governor Thomas E. Dewey on "America's Position in the Pacific" on ABC's Town Meeting of the Air last week. Quincy Howe, commentator and Associate Professor of Journalism at the U. of Illinois was moderator... Pauline Frederick, only woman news analyst in network radio, and other ABC commentators including JOHN DALY, Elmer Davis, GOERGE SOKOLSKY, Erwin D. Canham and others photo'd and profiled in Look's "Opinions Unlimited"... CHARLES ROBBINS, Story Ed of American Weekly, on the panel of last week's We, The People... JOHN STROHM, Associate Ed of Country Gentleman, was on the panel of CBS-TV's network program, Man of the Week, of which Walter Cronkite is moderator... MBS commentator GABRIEL HEATTER claims that Gov. Adlai Stevenson's straightforward admittance of mis-conduct and corruption in government serves his candidacy well...

MBS' Frank Edwards says a listener sent a suggestion that a law be enacted making it mandatory for every elected federal official to have a playback machine in his office and be forced to listen to recordings of his campaign speeches once each month...

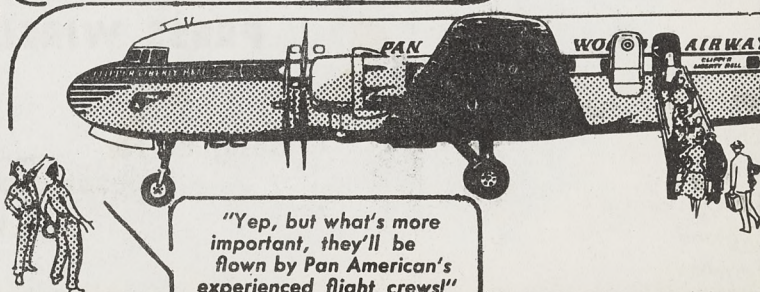
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CLUB CALENDAR

Dinner Committee Meeting Clubrooms Monday, September 15, at 5:45 pm

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Members of the Memorial Fund Committee met at the Clubrooms Tuesday evening to discuss three possible sites in the mid-Fifties for a new club headquarters. PATRICIA LOCHRIDGE, co-chairman with EDWARD MURROW, reported on space and facilities in each of the buildings to committee members present - LARRY BLOCHMAN, KATHRYN CRAVENS, JOE DINE, DAN GROSSI and JOE ROSAPEPE. OPC's campaign to raise funds, announced at the last annual dinner by ED MURROW to establish a permanent New York clubhouse as a memorial to the 60 correspondents killed in World War II and in Korea, will get under way November 15th. Members will be kept abreast of developments in The Bulletin.

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From Radio Geneve, in Switzerland, Director Rene Dovaz writes President WILLIAM GRAY:..."warm thanks from the Swiss Broadcasting Company and Radio Geneva for the many courtesies and effective help extended by the Overseas Press Club and DANIEL VAN ACKER to our reporter, Jean-Paul Darms-teter. We hope for an early opportunity of reciprocating by helping some OPC member in Switzer-land..."

VAN ACKER, Chairman of the Hospitality to Foreign Journalists Committee, obtained permission from the Port of New York Authority for the Swiss reporter to fly over NYC in the helicopter which the Authority operates; and, in a broadcast in French beamed to Radio Geneva one day before the news was published, accurately predicted President Truman's decision against an increase in U.S. customs duties on Swiss watches.

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TRADE NOTES (for our Paris colleagues)--King Leopold III at the Meurice; Marquise Pilar de Rio at the Plaza Athénée; Maharago of Gwalior at the Prince de Galles...

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Robert Capa, head of Magnum, the Paris photo agency, prefers his colleagues to have no attachments so that they may be free to fulfill assignments any time and any place in the world...He recently assigned one of his associates to do a picture story in the Tyrol...A few days later, Capa received a radiogram: "Being married in Salzburg tomorrow. But do not worry. Am not in love."

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HARRISON FORMAN, whose "Nightmare in Tibet" story appears in the first issue of Ted Irwin's Real magazine for men, has just started a new slick man's magazine for MacFadden Publications, 205 E. 42nd St., N.Y.17. He says he's wide open for material--fiction and non-fiction. Accent on escapism--fast-moving action, dramatic personal experience, colorful characters; especially material with the flavor of far-off places...

THE OVERSEAS TICKER

TOKYO Dateline--George Crissey, information and editorial specialist in the Far East Headquarters Public Information Office, was buried September 3rd in the International Cemetery at Yokohama. His death was the result of a heart attack at his desk at General Mark Clark's Headquarters on Saturday, August 30th. Mr. Crissey came to Tokyo three years ago at General Douglas MacArthur's request. Prior to that time he had served as United Press bureau chief in Phoenix, Salt Lake City, St. Louis and Chicago. His amazing memory for names and dates, and his collection of amusing stories endeared him to hundreds of newsmen who knew him... (by HAZEL SHORE)

A note accompanying the foregoing dispatch from HAZEL SHORE: "This is my last contribution from Tokyo...Tomorrow I take off from Tokyo International Airport for California...Plan to stop in San Francisco, Los Angeles and Chicago en route to New York...it is a sad duty that my final Bulletin item should concern my "boss" and one of my oldest friends..."

BONN Dateline--LOUIS LOCHNER will make a study of German journalists' professional organizations...he's been named as a specialist under a grant of the State Dept. for American and European Specialists Participating in the Exchange of Persons Program...LOCHNER, in Germany to gather material for a book on certain phases of German industry, and his wife got a kick out of vacationing--as free persons--in Bad Nauheim, where they were interned for five months in 1941/42...

HERE and THERE--HUGH CONWAY (N.Y. World Telegram), weekendening at a dude ranch, let his friends push him into a rodeo as a gag; startled them by winning first prize--a bottle of champagne...Llewellyn Miller, secretary of the Society of Magazine Writers, off to Paris and Rome October 1st...JESSIE STEARNS vacationing with her parents in Kansas...The VICTOR LASKY's (Patti Pratt) are honeymooning in Bermuda; EUGENE LYONS marked his 31st wedding date at LASKY's wedding September 6th...The bud Hart's (Redbook) are househunting in anticipation of a new addition to the family in October...

John Steinbeck back in New York (206 E. 72nd St.) after several weeks in Europe...PAT NIEBURG dropped in at the clubrooms for a visit, after 15 months in Scandinavia, bringing greetings to OPC'ers from GEORGE AXELSSON, Sid Goodrich and Earl Shenke...DOROTHY FISCHER to Storowton, Mass. for the Eastern States Exposition Sept. 14-21, representing LYNN FARNOL as their Home Economist...

KATHRYN CRAVENS back from a trip to Hawaii and working on a new book...HENRY C. WOLFE returned from Europe on the Liberte this week...IRENE KORBALLY KUHN in New York after a 5-months' world trip to the Philippines, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Italy, England and Ireland.

Leonard Lyons picked up this item for his column in the N.Y. Post at VICTOR LASKY's wedding reception: Gen. Walter Bedell Smith received a memo requesting a day off for one of his aides, Capt. KEN GINIGER of Prentice-Hall...The memo explained that Capt. GINIGER wanted the day off so he could be married...Across the memo the General scrawled: "Does he have to do it on our time?" (GINIGER nuptials next week)

MAIL BAG: From MADELINE DANE ROSS: "...Guatamala was a most interesting tourist experience mainly because there were virtually no tourists there...many hotels were closed July and August, formerly the biggest tourist season...often we were the only two guests in large hotels which were completely staffed...it was creepy at first, but once we accepted the situation we loved having swimming pools, ruins, volcanoes, Indian Tribes, etc. all to ourselves...some people blame it all on the "communist government"; others say the United Fruit boats which used to take passengers from N.Y. now take cargo only, which accounts for a large number of missing tourists****it's an unusually beautiful and clean country and there's still a chance for the tourist to be cushily comfortable and yet see primitive life..."

Mail bag mystery: The "meilleurs souvenirs" mailed to the editor last month from Frankfurt, on the back of a lovely panorama of the Seine from three partly anonymous friends---identified only by their first names...haven't figured out the combination yet...

***** BILL ATTWOOD's lead article in the current Look details the plight of "Germany's Lonely Jews" in a searching survey, seven years after the end of the war...East COLLEAGUES Berlin's largest department store is "The World's Worst Department Store," Joseph ***** Wechsberg reports in the Saturday Evening Post; the customer is always wrong, must accept dictated sales and planned prices, be served by politically-trained salespeople who may report him for "subversive feelings"---it's the main branch of H.O., Soviet Germany's state-owned trade monopoly...JOE ROSAPEPE, former Journal of Commerce Rome correspondent, tells how "The Stock Exchange In Europe's Capitols" operates in the monthly magazine of the N.Y. Stock Exchange...SIDNEY HERTZBERG, U.N. correspondent of the Delhi Hindustan Times writes about "Yugoslavia and India In World Affairs" in United Asia magazine of Bombay...ADELAIDE KERR's feature articles for AP on the 2000 residents of 50 nations making up U.N.'s Parkway Village in the Toledo Blade; her story on the spread of lunch-hour bible and prayer meetings in factories, foundries and offices across the country in the Fort Wayne Journal-Gazette...

BOB CONSIDINE finishing an Eisenhower series for INS before taking off on a new assignment...Saturday Evening Post's current feature on Rocky Marciano, "Can Any Living Man Beat Him?" is illustrated with photographs by LOUIS WEINTRAUB of Pavelle Laboratories...GERTY AGOSTON's short stories, "The Chinese Dagger" and "The Return" appeared in the Staatszeitung...GEORGE W. HERALD does a "Report From Paris" and Joseph C. Harsch a "Report From Washington" for this month's U.N. World...same issue carries "Germany's Struggle for Democracy" by Jack Raymond of the N.Y. Times...

N.Y. Times' RICHARD THOMAS off to a fast start with his fall lecture season; within the past two weeks, talked on politics at Penn. State Teachers College, spoke in French to the Salon Francais and MC'd the Bruno Furst "Memory" show on Dumont TV. Slated to speak at the Engineers Society; Lions Club in N.Y.; Brooklyn College, and Buck Hill Falls in the Poconos within the next few weeks...A. WILFRED MAY, Executive Ed. of the Financial Chronicle, conducting a course on "Investing Today" at the New School for Social Research, beginning October 9th...FRANK BRUTTO, AP's Vatican correspondent, on home leave out West for a couple of months...

***** TLI correspondent Joe Brown flew to India last week to join JIM BURKE in the New TRANSFER and Delhi Bureau...Former UP'er GEORGE PALMER, awarded a Council on Foreign Relations TRANSITION fellowship last year, now on the staff of the International Press Institute, after ***** completing work for his master's degree at Columbia U.'s department of public law and government. PALMER, his wife and three small daughters will settle at 90 Bayview Avenue, Port Washington, N.Y...CARL BAKAL joined Coronet as picture editor after a year in Europe producing and directing films for the Army; he traveled 75,000 miles through Germany, Austria, Italy, Yugoslavia, Switzerland, France and Spain...ERNIE HILL en route to Honolulu from San Francisco with his wife and two step-sons to relieve Keyes Beech in the Tokyo Bureau of the Chicago Daily News. His address, upon arrival in Japan, will be c/o PIO, HQ F.E.C., APO 500, P.M. San Francisco...BORIS SMOLAR, Ed-in-chief of Jewish Telegraphic Agency, en route to Europe for a long trip including a visit to Germany, from which he was expelled in 1936 as an American correspondent whose presence was considered "harmful to the interests of the Third Reich"...

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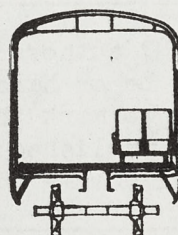
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The above are excerpts from an address by Robert R. Young, chairman of the board of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway and founder of the Federation for Railway Progress. The complete address in illustrated booklet form is available. For your copy, write to:

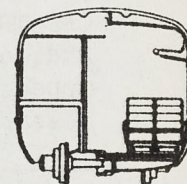
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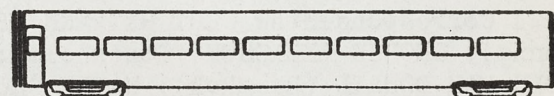


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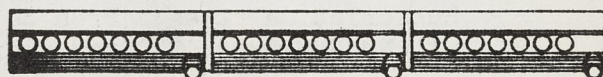
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 * FALL SEASON OPENS WITH MOONLIGHT CRUISE *

One hundred sea-going OPC'ers and their friends penetrated the upper reaches of the Hudson last Friday evening on a Moonlight Cruise that darned near ran out of moonshine less than an hour out of 42nd Street. A quick pow-wow -- and the captain turned the nose of the "Doris Moran" towards Yonkers harbor, where a landing party was put ashore with beads and wampum, to barter for small stores...There was a slight incident during which the landing party was temporarily abandoned when a large Hudson River Day Line boat bore down meaningfully towards its pier, but the expedition was successful and the party chugged up the river amid the cheers of the natives and a lusty rendition of the Marseillaise by LARRY BLOCHMAN and his impromptu quartet.

A hearty buffet dinner of beef and lobster was piped aboard by Joe Moore, host for the Moran Towing Company. House Committee chairmen HELEN ZOTOS and BERT BRANDT whipped around the craft to see that everyone had plenty to eat and drink. DAVE ZINGG, who helped arrange the cruise, wasn't able to make it but those aboard included: H.G.W. WOODHEAD, Mrs. HENRY WOLFE, WYTHE WILLIAMS, PAUL VAJDA, FRANK TAO, LEN SMITH, DOROTHY OMANSKY, ELLISEVA SAYERS, JOSEPH RUFFNER, MAX RODEN, HENRY RIES, WAYNE RICHARDSON, ERNIE PRINCE, MARTIN QUIGLEY, JR., IRIS MOSSIN, JOHN MOROSO, WILLIAM MAYER, B. MATHIEU, RALPH H. MAJOR, JR., TOM MALLEY, RUTH LLOYD, EUGENE LYONS, KATHERINE LEEDS, ROBERT LABLONDE, HERB KUPFERBERG, JEAN JAFFEE, MARCELLE HENRY, MARY HORNADAY, BILL HETHERINGTON, ANDREW HECHT, Emil Havas, SANFORD GRIFFITH, ROLAND C. GASK, THEO. FINDAHL, LEANDER FITZGERALD, DOROTHY FISCHER, GRACE DONALDSON, HUGH CONWAY, RALPH CONISTON, BOYAN CHOUKANOFF, BERT BRANDT's bride, CROSWELL BOWEN, ELMER BORSUK, LOWELL BLANKFORT, JOHN BARKHAM, WAMBLY BALD, N.F. ALLMAN, MYER AGEN, Bill Smith, and Pres. BILL GRAY.

Rush hour traffic forced a delay in sailing time: the House Committee (with the bottled supplies) were snarled in Times Square, but once they were on board and the cargo loaded at 6.20 pm, Program Chairman RALPH MAJOR ordered the gangplank raised. Just as the boat pulled away from the pier, ADELE NATHAN, Lehman Engel and JOHN GOETTE puffed up to the water's edge and were hauled over the side while poop-deck commentators offered narration appropriate to the occasion.

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Many members wanted to go along on the cruise, but their reservations came too late to be accommodated on the "first-come, first-serve" basis that the limited passenger capacity of 100 made mandatory. One card, airmailed from Anchorage by Bill Warner of the Alaska Press Club, asked, wistfully, "could I have a ticket-- for my files?"

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How many of the 87 authors of the Overseas Press Club's newest book, OFF THE RECORD, will be on hand for the special lunch on Thursday, October 2nd, at Toots Shor's to mark the New York publication date? If YOUR name appeared on the list published in The Bulletin of August 16th, send a message or say you'll come-- but let us hear from you!

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